## **Harbor Seal Monitoring Updates**

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## Harbor Seal Counts, weekly

Seal numbers are still low as the animals are out foraging and getting ready for the molting season. There was an unusual early peak at Double Point during the week of 6/12, but then the numbers dropped again the following week. On a marine mammal related note, we got a report on 6/20 of an entangled sea lion on Drakes Beach and the Marine Mammal Center was able to come out and remove the fishing net off the young sea lion – a Great Success!



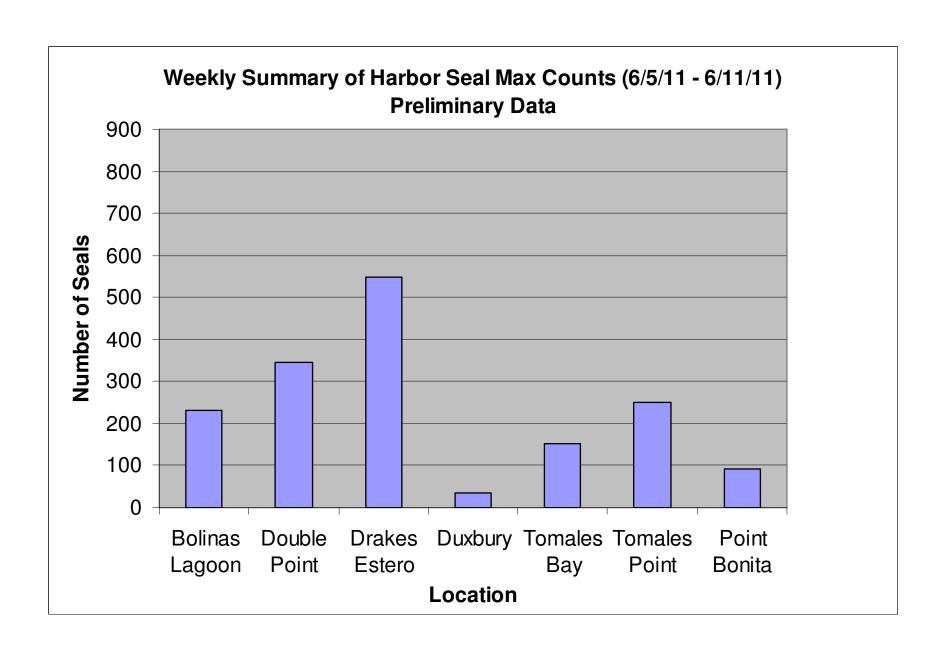
Photo: Entangled California sea lion yearling

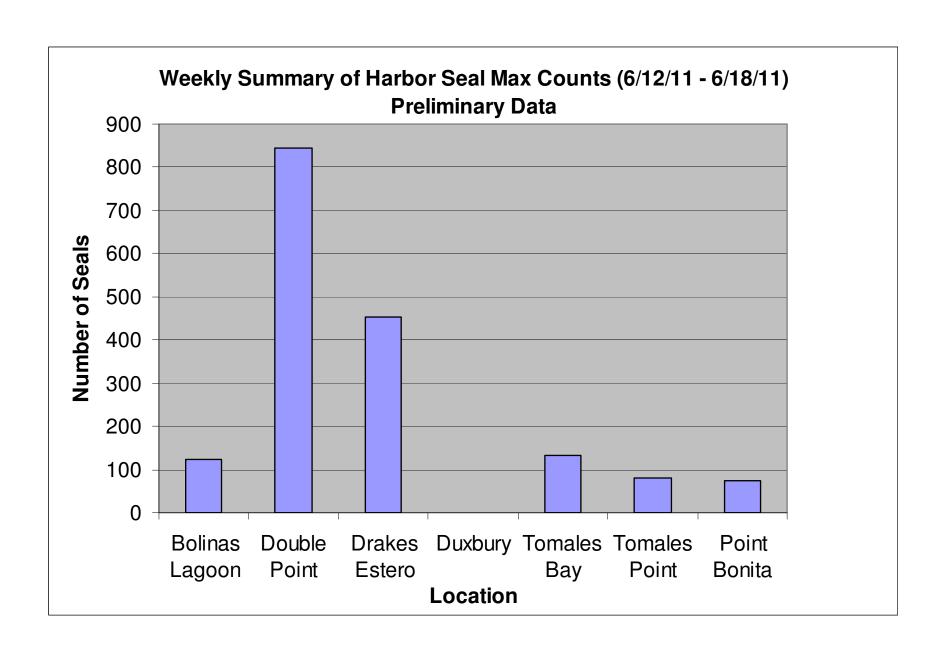


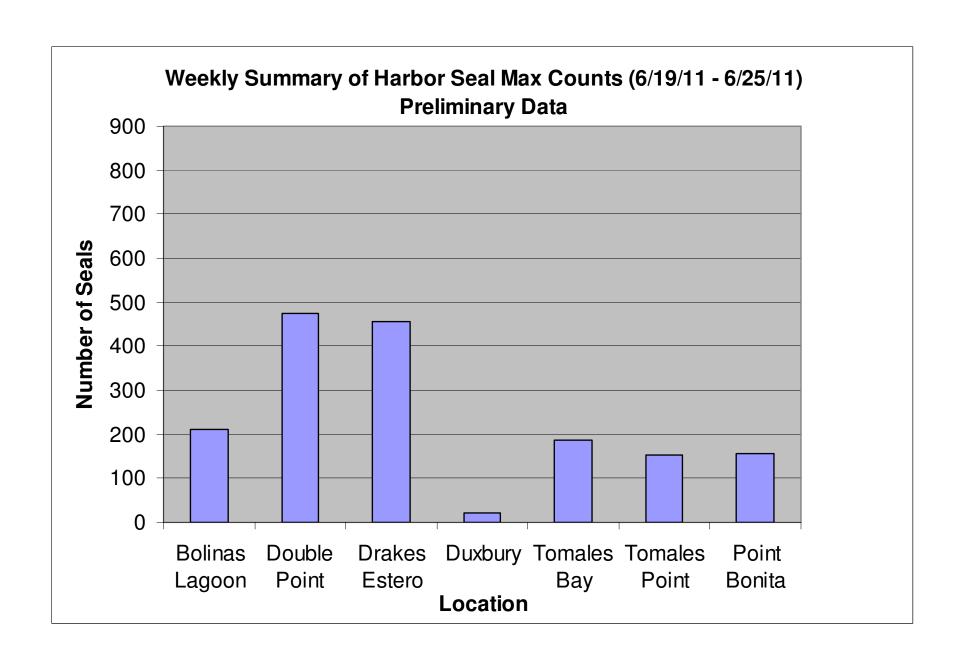
Photo: Sea lion release after it was disentangled

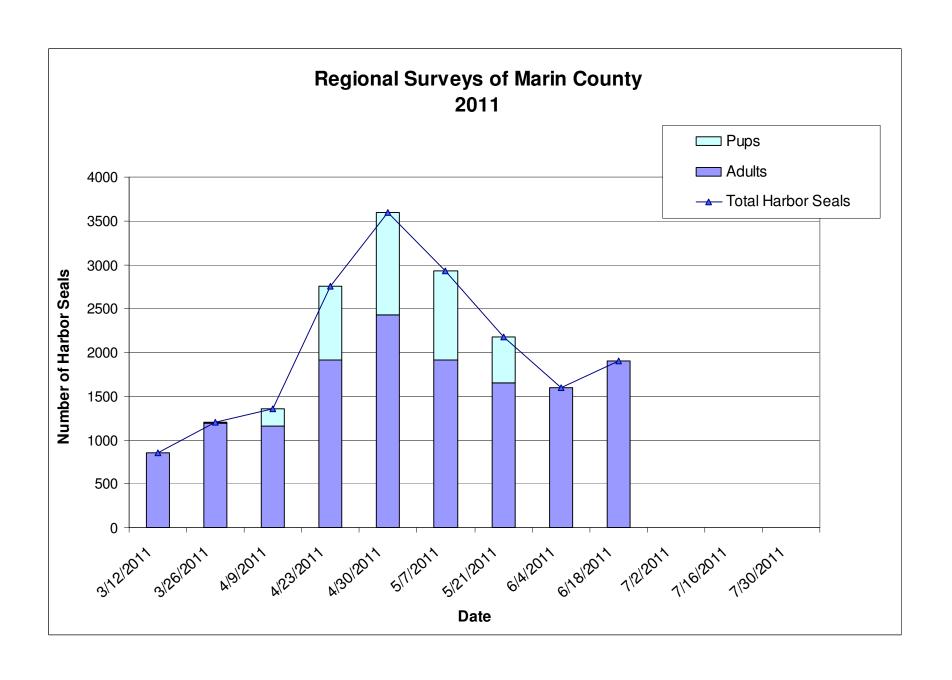
## Harbor Seal Counts, regional surveys

During the June 18<sup>th</sup> regional survey weekend almost 1,900 harbor seals were counted in Marin County. This is slightly larger than the previous regional survey of about 1,600. We will continue to see higher numbers as more animals haul out to molt.









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